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#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Murphy et al.

Title:

**GAME BALL LACING** 

Appl. No.:

10/798,071

Filing Date:

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# PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop: Non-Fee Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

[X] Preliminary Amendment (7 pages)

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[X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

_	Claims as Amended		Previously		Extra		Rate		Add'l Claim Fees
			Paid For		Claims				
		Present							
Total Claims:	27	-	28	=	0	х	\$18.00	=	\$ 0.00
Independents:	2	-	3	=	0	х	\$86.00	=	\$ 0.00
First Presentation of Any Multiple Dependent						+	\$270.00	=	\$ 0.00
				CLAIMS FEE TOTAL				=	\$ 0.00

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Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

#### A. **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Please amend the present application as follows:

#### In the Claims:

Please amend claims 65, 66, 78-81, 91 and 92 as indicated in Section B.

Please cancel claim 90 without prejudice, as indicated in Section B.